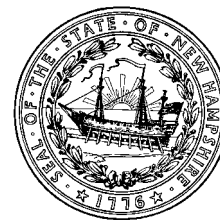


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## **NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – February 24, 2021**

**Concord, NH** – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Wednesday, February 24, 2021, DHHS announced 338 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.2%. Today's results include 204 people who tested positive by PCR test and 134 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,783 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **2/23: 338** new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are sixty-two individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 49% being female and 51% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (65), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (42), Strafford (42), Merrimack (30), Grafton (23), Cheshire (18), Belknap (17), Carroll (16), Coos (7), and Sullivan (6) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (26) and Nashua (24). The county of residence is being determined for twenty-two new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS has also announced two additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 103 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 74,258 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

### **Current Situation in New Hampshire**

#### **New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated February 24, 2021, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19	74,258
Recovered	70,318 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,157 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,783

Current Hospitalizations	103
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) <sup>2</sup>	625,465
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests <sup>2</sup>	37,511
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	68,457
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL <sup>3</sup>	894

<sup>1</sup>Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

<sup>2</sup>Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

<sup>3</sup>Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

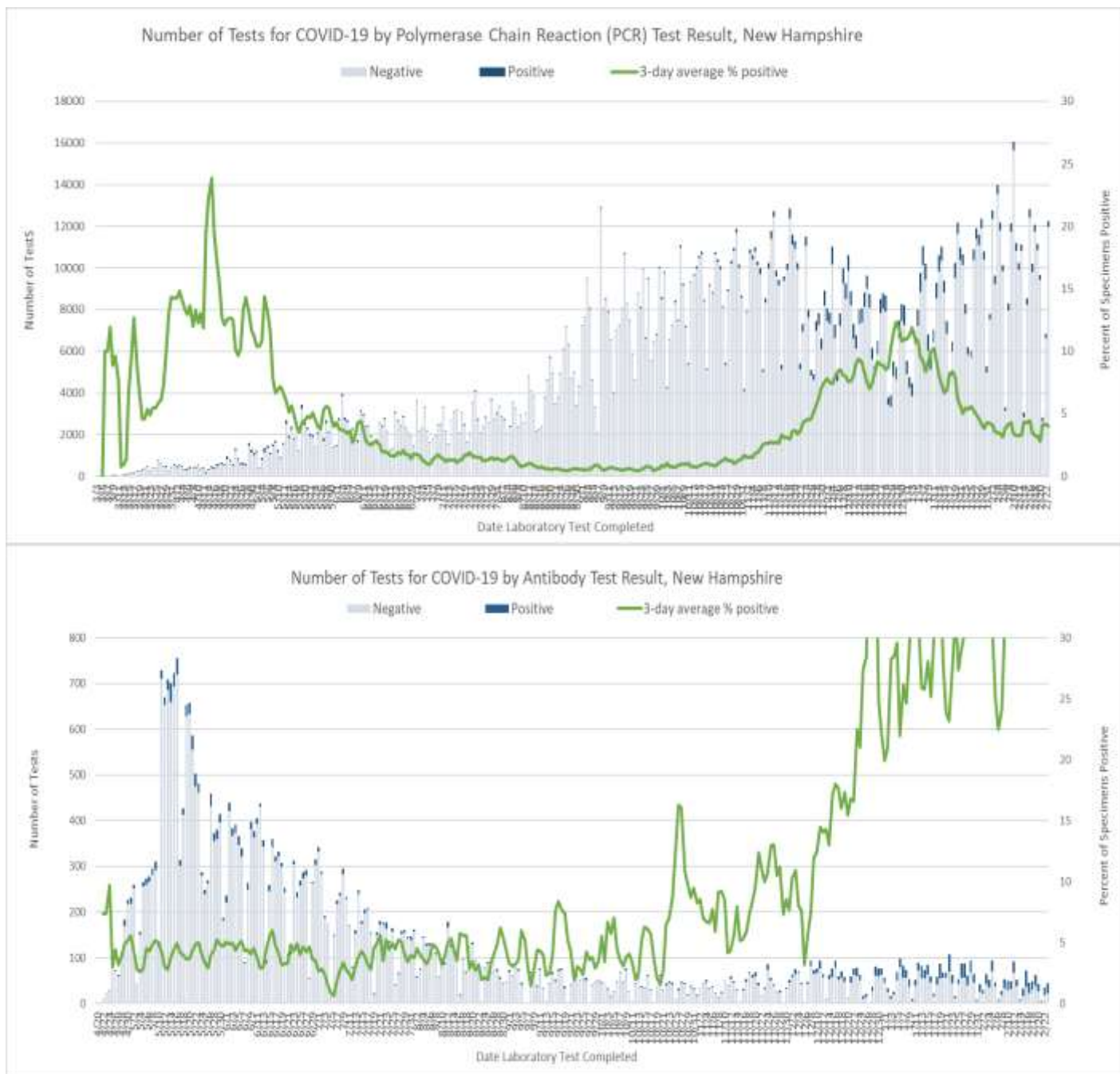
## Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	2/17	2/18	2/19	2/20	2/21	2/22	2/23	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	770	779	463	476	220	3	313	432
LabCorp	647	683	584	390	565	309	745	560
Quest Diagnostics	635	719	582	671	442	326	438	545
Mako Medical	29	1	10	283	0	87	279	98
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	398	448	351	374	186	314	423	356
NorDX Laboratory	385	668	360	257	167	53	612	357
Broad Institute	3,106	3,821	4,614	4,157	699	1,240	4,423	3,151
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	343	742	421	357	270	378	423	419
Other Laboratory*	257	297	277	307	213	304	234	270
University of New Hampshire**	3,636	3,912	3,499	2,408	70	3,830	4,346	3,100
Total	10,206	12,070	11,161	9,680	2,832	6,844	12,236	9,290
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	2/17	2/18	2/19	2/20	2/21	2/22	2/23	Daily Average
LabCorp	8	17	13	11	5	0	25	11
Quest Diagnostics	17	13	17	20	0	7	9	12
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	7	8	5	3	0	10	4	5
NorDX Laboratory	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Other Laboratory*	5	9	15	2	0	6	0	5
Total	37	47	50	37	5	23	39	34

\* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

\*\* Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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